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By: **Chairman, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee**  
**(By Request - Departmental - Agriculture)**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Agriculture - Weights and Measures - Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of altering certain registration fees for certain weights and  
4 measures; establishing a certain registration fee for a certain weights and  
5 measures device; removing obsolete provisions; and generally relating to  
6 registration fees for weights and measures.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Agriculture  
9 Section 11-204.7  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - Agriculture**

15 11-204.7.

16 [(a) On and after June 1, 1993, the] THE fees for registering each weight and  
17 measure used for commercial purposes under this subtitle are as follows:

- 18 (1) Scales with a capacity of up to 100 pounds (maximum fee per  
19 location: [~~\$175~~] ~~\$275~~) ..... [~~\$14~~] ~~\$20~~;
- 20 (2) Scales with a capacity of more than 100 pounds, up to 2,000  
21 pounds ..... [~~\$40~~] ~~\$50~~;
- 22 (3) Scales with a capacity of more than 2,000 pounds ..... \$75;
- 23 (4) Belt conveyor scales ..... \$300;
- 24 (5) Railroad track scales ..... \$300;

- 1           (6)     Vehicle scales     .....     [\$150] \$225;
- 2           (7)     Grain moisture meter     .....     [\$50] \$100;
- 3           (8)     Retail motor fuel dispenser meter of under 20 gallons per minute
- 4 (maximum fee per location: \$275)     .....     \$15;
- 5           (9)     Retail motor fuel dispenser meter of 20 gallons per minute or
- 6 more     .....     \$35;
- 7           (10)    Bulk petroleum fuel meter of 20 gallons per minute, up to 150 gallons
- 8 per minute     .....     [\$35] \$75;
- 9           (11)    Bulk petroleum fuel meter of 150 gallons per minute or
- 10 more     .....     [\$70] \$75;
- 11           [(12)    Liquefied petroleum gas meter of 3/4 inch diameter or less     .....     \$50;
- 12 and]
- 13           [(13)]   (12)    Liquefied petroleum gas meter [of greater than 3/4 inch
- 14 diameter]     .....     \$75; AND
- 15           (13)    POINT OF SALE SYSTEM, AS DEFINED BY THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE
- 16 OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY (NIST) HANDBOOK 44, CONNECTED TO A
- 17 WEIGHING OR MEASURING DEVICE     .....     \$75.

18     [(b)     From June 1, 1992 through May 31, 1993, the fees for registering each  
 19 weight and measure used for commercial purposes under this subtitle shall be 50% of  
 20 the amount set forth in subsection (a) of this section.]

21     SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
 22 October 1, 2004.